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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: EEC PFOR  
SUBJ: SOARES VISIT TO IRELAND

1. IN HIS SHORT ONE DAY VISIT TO IRELAND PORTUGUESE PRIME  
MINISTER SOARES BOTH PUBLICLY AND PRIVATELY URGED IRISH  
SUPPORT FOR PORTUGUESE EC ENTRY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.  
ACCORDING TO VARIOUS SOURCES, IN THE PRIVATE TALKS THE  
IRISH WERE POLITE BUT ASKED MANY DETAILED QUESTIONS ABOUT  
THE PORTUGUESE ECONOMY. SOARES WAS REPORTEDLY VERY  
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PERSUASIVE, BUT THE IRISH WILL NOT BE IN THE FRONT RANKS  
OF THE SUPPORTERS AND WILL OPT FOR DELAY, BUT EVENTUAL  
ACCESSION.

2. PRIME MINISTER COSGRAVE'S PUBLIC STATEMENT WAS A  
GOOD SUMMARY OF THE IRISH POSITION:

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QUOTE IT HAS NOT BEEN EASY TO RE-ESTABLISH A VIABLE  
DEMOCRACY IN PORTUGAL, BUT, WITH THE AID OF A WISE  
LEADERSHIP AND A COMMITTED PEOPLE, IT HAS SUCCESSFULLY  
BEEN ACHIEVED. THE LOGICAL OUTCOME IS THAT PORTUGAL  
SHOULD NOW WISH TO BECOME EVEN MORE CLOSELY ASSOCIATED  
WITH THE OTHER DEMOCRACIES OF WESTERN EUROPE THROUGH  
MEMBERSHIP OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY. WE IN IRELAND  
SYMPATHIZE WITH THIS ASPIRATION AND WILL DO ALL IN OUR  
POWER TO HELP MAKE IT A REALITY. UNQUOTE. COSGRAVE  
POINTED OUT, HOWEVER, THAT PREPARATION FOR ENTRY INTO  
THE COMMUNITY QUOTE INVOLVING THE OBLIGATIONS OF FULL  
MEMBERSHIP UNQUOTE WAS NOT AN EASY TASK, EITHER FOR THE  
APPLICANT COUNTRY OR FOR THE NINE. QUOTE ALTHOUGH  
ULTIMATELY THE GOAL OF THE MEMBER STATES IS A POLITICAL  
UNION, THE ESSENTIAL BASIS FOR UNITY MUST LIE IN THE  
PRACTICAL ECONOMIC LINKS WE FORGE BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES.  
THE COMMUNITY IS OF A FUNDAMENTALLY OPEN NATURE INsofar  
AS TRADE AND INDUSTRY ARE CONCERNED. THIS, AS WE KNOW  
HERE, CAN CREATE PROBLEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL COUNTRIES, BUT  
IT IS INDEED THE BASIS FOR THE POLITICAL UNION TOWARDS  
WHICH THE COMMUNITY ASPIRES AND IS WORKING. UNQUOTE.

3. IN THE COURSE OF THE SHORT VISIT SOARES WAKSWINED  
AND DINED ON A LAVISH SCALE. BOTH THE IRISH PRIME  
MINISTER AND FOREIGN MINISTER HAVE ACCEPTED INVITATIONS  
TO VISIT PORTUGAL AT UNSPECIFIED DATES. CURLEY  
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